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THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS. Twas the night before Christmas, when all Not a creature was stirring, not even a

The stockings were hung by the chimney In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there; The children were nestled all snug in their

While visions of sugar plums danced in their And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap, Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap-When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from the bed to see what was the

Away to the window I flew like a flash, Toro open the shutters and threw up the sish. The moon on the breast of the new-faller

Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below,
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer, With a little old driver so lively and quick.

I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.

More rapid than eagles his coursers they came, And he whistled and shouted and called them by name: Now, Dash r! now, Dancer! now, Prancer

and Vixen!
On Comet! on Cupid! on Dunder and Bitzen! To the top of the perch! to the top of the Now, dash away! dash away! dash away As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane When they meet with an obstacle, mount to

Ho up to the house-top the coursers they flew, With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas, And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the The prancing and pawing of each little hoof As I drew in my head, and was turning Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot, And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes

and soot; A bundle of toys he had flung on his And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack His eyes how they twinkled; his dimploshow merry! His cheeks were like roses, his note like a cherry! His droll little mouth was drawn up like a

bow, And the board of his chin was as white as the snow; The stump of a pipe he held tight in his And the smoke it encircled his head like a wresth;
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That shock when he laughed like a bow; full
of jelly. He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old

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dread;

He spore not a word, but went straight to his work, And filled all the stockings, then turned with

a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a ned, up the chimney he rose.
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a
whistle, And away they all flew like the down of a

thistle.
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